

From the Director

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State Licensing Board For Contractors

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QUARTERLY REPORT

Emerging Targets Of Opportunity!

Only seven short years ago, your state licensing board was still operating with an old IBM 36 to keep track of licensing applications and files. In fact, only our accounting department processes utilized a Computer LAN Network. Slowly, but surely, we have progressed toward 21st Century technology. We have upgraded our database computer system to an AS400 system. A little over a year ago, we successfully adapted our systems to the Internet by establishing our own website. As a result, agency productivity has increased while we have been able to provide you, the contractor, with access to information vital to your business. Via our website at www.lslbc.state.la.us, you can now access both commercial and residential rosters, the Contractor's Law, (Title 37:2150-2173, et al), frequently asked questions, breaking announcements, qualifying party information, and you can even communicate with staff via e-mail and other information. We are in the process of upgrading our website on the Internet, with more user friendly access. We have also developed links to other related sites which will be helpful to you, the applicant or licensee. Links include various trade organizations, the Secretary of State's Corporation Division, La. Department of Revenue and Taxation, and other sites of relative importance to the contractor. Be watching for the changes!

We have been working with the Legislature, the State Office of

Electronic Services, various construction trade groups; i.e., ABC, AGC, MCA, NECA, LMA, LHBA, Building Officials of Louisiana, and others to determine the feasibility and practicality of implementing internet-based, on-line permitting, license renewals, and eventually, on-line

licensing processes. We believe that it is feasible and practical, but some work is left to be done. Once this is accomplished, the contractors, the public, and other interested parties will experience significant time savings, cost savings, and productivity increases as the burdens of paperwork

processes are lessened.

We are listening to you and are responding to your needs. We are making progress. Please be patient and, in the meantime, if you have any suggestions, we would be happy to receive them via email to cmarceaux@lslbc.state.la.us.



CONSTRUCTION Update

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Louisiana One Call Bulletin...Pipeline Damage Prevention Notice to Louisiana Excavators

To prevent damage to underground natural gas and other hazardous material pipelines located in Louisiana -



CALL BEFORE YOU DIG, wait 48 hours for the site to be marked, observe the marks and dig with care.

CALL LOUISIANA
ONE CALL AT 1-800272-3020 (TOLL
FREE) 48 HOURS IN
ADVANCE, excluding
weekends and holidays, before digging is scheduled to begin.

HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AVAILABLE:

- Name and telephone number of the excavator and name and telephone number of the company.
- Date and time the work is scheduled to begin.
- Specific location address or description of the work site.
- Nearest intersecting roadway to the work site.
- Distance and direction of the work site from the nearest intersection.
- Advise the Louisiana One Call operator if explosives will be used.

Maintain the locate ticket number provided by the Louisiana One Call operator. It is your proof of the call and you may be requested, by an enforcement agency, to provide this ticket number at the job site.

If digging activity comes within eighteen inches of a utility line or pipeline, exercise extreme caution. Hand digging is recommended to expose the buried line.

Markings for underground utilities are considered valid as long as they are visible up to ten calendar days from the "mark by" time. "Mark by" time is provided by the Louisiana One Call operator and excludes holidays and weekends. For larger projects, call in only the work that can be accomplished within a ten day period.

If damage occurs, notify the utility operator or pipeline company directly.

If there is an emergency situation (immediate danger to life, health or property and requires immediate attention), take steps to safeguard health and property.

Wherever possible, use white paint, stakes or flags in order to designate the area of proposed excavation.

Remember, not all utilities are members of Louisiana One Call; you should call non-member utility operators directly.

Civil Penalties range up to \$25,000 for violations to the "Dig" law.

PLEASE REMEMBER - To "Dig Safely," call before you dig, wait 48 hours for the site to be marked, observe the marks, and dig with care.

Louisiana One Call can be reached from your cell phone by dialing #DIG



Byron E. Talbot



Thaddeus M. Biagas



Lenny Lemoine

Board Member Appointments

Governor Mike Foster recently reappointed Mr. Byron E. Talbot, Thibodaux, as Chairman of the State Licensing Board for Contractors representing the Third Congressional District in Highway and Street Construction and Mr. Donald G. Lambert, Kenner, as Secretary-Treasurer representing the First Congressional District in Highway and Street Construction.

In addition, four new members were appointed.

Mr. Thaddeus M. Biagas, New Orleans, representing the Second Congressional District, serves as a member at large with Mr. Art Favre, Performance Contractors, Inc., Baton Rouge, representing the Sixth Congressional District in Building and Industrial Construction; Mr. Lenny Lemoine, The Lemoine Company, L.L.C., Lafayette, representing the Seventh Congressional District in Building and Industrial Construction; and Mr. Bert Wilson, Barriere Construction Co., L.L.C., Boutte, representing the First Congressional District in Asphalt Construction.



Donald G. Lambert



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Disciplinary Actions of State Licensing Board

July 2002 Commercial

Associated Construction Group

Gonzales, Louisiana

Allegation: Acting as a contractor without possessing a

license to perform work in an amount in

excess of \$50,000.

Action: Found guilty. Assessed all costs associated

with the proceedings.

Foley and McIntyre, Inc.

Bastrop, Louisiana

Allegation: Entering into a contract with an unlicensed

contractor to perform work in an amount

in excess of \$50,000.

Action: Guilty plea. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Spirit Construction Services, Inc.

Savannah, Georgia

Allegation: Entering into a contract with an unlicensed

contractor to perform work in an amount

in excess of \$50,000.

Action: Found not guilty.

Randall-Morgan Construction Co., Inc.

Metairie, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to satisfy judgments.

Action: Commercial and residential licenses re-

voked.

Randall-Morgan Construction Co., LLC

Metairie, Louisiana

Allegation: Willfully misrepresented a material fact in

obtaining commercial and residential li-

censes.

Action: Commercial and residential licenses re-

voked.

National Contractor Services Corporation, Inc.

New Orleans, Louisiana

Allegation: Entering into contracts with unlicensed

contractors to perform work in an amount

in excess of \$50,000.

Action: Guilty plea. Fined, assessed all costs associ-

ated with the proceedings and placed on

probation for six months.

R. Dix Painting and Sheetrock Specialist

New Orleans, Louisiana

Allegation: Acting as a contractor without possessing a

license to perform work in an amount in

excess of \$50,000.

Action: Found guilty. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Lester Nero

New Orleans, Louisiana

Allegation: Acting as a contractor without possessing a

license to perform work in an amount in

excess of \$50,000.

Action: Found guilty. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Young's Plumbing Company, Inc.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Performing work not included in classifica-

tion for which the firm is licensed. Found guilty. No fine assessed.

T. C. Broome Construction Company, Inc.

Pascagoula, Mississippi

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Allowed sixty (60) days to comply with the

rules and regulations of the Board. License

suspended.

Enecotech, Inc.

Action:

Action:

Denver, Colorado

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed thirty (30) days to register a quali-

fying party or license automatically re-

voked. License revoked.

Wachs Energy Services Company

Charlotte, North Carolina

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed thirty (30) days to register a quali-

fying party or license automatically re-

voked. License revoked.

Masonry Arts, Inc.

Bessemer, Alabama

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party for

the classification of Specialty: Glass, Glazing, Store Fronts, Metal Partitions, Panels,

and Siding.

Action: Classification of Specialty: Glass, Glazing,

Store Fronts, Metal Partitions, Panels and

Siding removed from the license.

August 2002 Commercial

Atlas Industrial Holdings, L.L.C.

Columbus, Ohio

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party for

the classification of Electrical Work (State-

wide).

Action: Classification of Electrical Work (Statewide)

removed from the license.

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Pool Company of Texas

Harvey, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party for

the classification of Specialty: Oil and Gas

Well Drilling.

Action: Classification of Oil and Gas Well Drilling

removed from the license.

Roux Associates, Inc.

Houston, Texas

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: License suspended.

Hussey Seating Company

North Berwick, Maine

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed thirty (30) days to register a qualifying party or license automatically sus-

pended. Qualifying party replaced.

Paul's A-C & Heating, Inc.

Gonzales, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed sixty (60) days to register qualify-

ing party. Qualifying party replaced.

Industrial Thermal Systems, Inc.

Evadale, Texas

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: License suspended.

Design Build Enterprises, Inc.

Shreveport, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: License suspended and allowed thirty (30) days to register a qualifying party or license

days to register a qualifying party or license automatically revoked. License revoked.

Gentry Construction

Bastrop, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: License suspended and allowed thirty (30)

days to register a qualifying party or license automatically revoked. License re-

voked.

J. S. Redpath Corporation

Phoenix, Arizona

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.
Action: License suspended and allowed thirty (30)

days to register a qualifying party or license automatically revoked. License revoked.

Voith Sulzer Paper Technology North America, Inc.

West Monroe, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed thirty (30) days to register a qualifying party or license automatically sus-

pended. Qualifying party replaced.

Ericsson Inc.

Plano, Texas

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed thirty (30) days to register a quali-

fying party or license automatically sus-

pended. License suspended.

Moores Pump & Services, Inc.

Broussard, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to register a qualifying party.

Action: Allowed sixty (60) days to register a quali-

fying party or license automatically suspended. Qualifying party replaced.

Residential

E. J. Chaisson

Lockport, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing multiple residences in

amounts in excess of \$50,000 without pos-

sessing a State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined, assessed all costs asso-

ciated with the proceedings and cease and

desist order issued.

Charles Pumilia

Covington, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined, assessed all costs asso-

ciated with the proceedings, and cease and

desist order issued.

J. Todd Stiles

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Lane Howe

Colfax, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found not guilty.

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Dennis T. & Brandy Sheffield

Denham Springs, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Bayou Capital Resources, LLC

Calhoun, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Charles & Donna Cooper

Madisonville, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Guilty plea. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Charles "Chuck" Johnston

West Monroe, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Guilty plea. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Gary Donaldson

LeBlanc, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Guilty plea. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Elliot Darensbourg

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined, assessed all costs asso-

ciated with the proceedings, and cease and

desist order issued.

Chad Richard

Lake Charles, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Guilty plea. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Louis Carter, Jr.

Hammond, Louisiana

Allegation: Constructing a residence in an amount in

excess of \$50,000 without possessing a

State residential license.

Action: Found guilty. Fined and assessed all costs

associated with the proceedings.

Keith Burge

Walker, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability and

worker's compensation insurance cover-

ages.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Walter Gammons

Gonzales, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Kishbaugh Construction, Inc.

Lafayette, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverage or license automatically suspended and cease and desist order issued. License suspended and cease and desist

order issued.

M.C. Tubre LLC

Mandeville, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Donald J. Stelly

Breaux Bridge, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverage or license automatically suspended and cease and desist order issued. License suspended and cease and desist

order issued.

Classic Style Homes, Inc.

Metairie, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

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Beautiful Results General Contractors, Inc.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverage or license automatically suspended. Proof of coverage provided.

Brightside Construction, Inc.

Metairie, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverage or license automatically suspended. Proof of coverage provided.

Costanza & Company, Inc.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Lavon Farrar & Associates, Inc.

Alexandria, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to surrender license

or license automatically suspended. Li-

cense surrendered.

Gold Star Investments, Inc.

Albany, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverage or license automatically suspended. Proof of coverage provided.

Felton Hart

Franklinton, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to surrender license

or license automatically suspended. Li-

cense suspended.

Tracy L. Jordan

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Bill Jourdan Construction, Inc.

Mandeville, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to surrender license

or license automatically suspended. Proof

of coverage provided.

Manuel E. Knight, Jr.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability and

worker's compensation insurance cover-

ages.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Landen Properties, LLC

Duplessis, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability and

worker's compensation insurance cover-

ages.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to surrender license.

License surrendered.

Pioneer Homes, Inc.

Denham Springs, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability and

worker's compensation insurance cover-

ages.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Steve Reich

West Monroe, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

L.A. Robertson Construction Company, Inc.

Robert, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverage or license automatically suspended, fined, and cease and desist order issued. License suspended, fined, and cease

and desist order issued.

David Sims

Bastrop, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined,

and cease and desist order issued.

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Spencersmith, A Professional Corporation

New Orleans, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability and

worker's compensation insurance coverages.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to provide proof of

coverages or license automatically suspended. License suspended and cease and

desist order issued.

Sturlese Construction, Inc.

Creole, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain worker's compensa-

tion insurance coverage.

Action: Found guilty. License suspended, fined

and cease and desist order issued.

Harbour Development Group, L.L.C.

New Orleans, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to satisfy a judgment.

Action: License revoked.

William Ward

Bush, Louisiana

Allegation: Failure to maintain general liability insur-

ance coverage.

Action: Allowed ten (10) days to surrender license

or license automatically suspended. Li-

cense suspended.

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IF YOU NEED INFORMATION ON CONTRACTORS' LICENSING IN OTHER STATES, YOU NEED A COPY OF THE *CONTRACTORS' STATE LICENSING INFORMATION DIRECTORY*.

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